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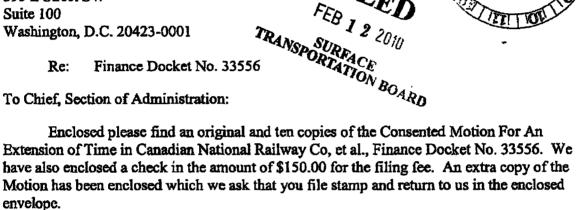
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> Re: Finance Docket No. 33556

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# CONSENTED MOTION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME<sup>1</sup>

Grand Trunk Western Railroad Company ("GTW") and Illinois Central Railroad Company ("IC") (together, the "Carrier"), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 1115.8, request a 14-day extension until March 8, 2010, in which to file a petition for review of an arbitration award rendered on February 1, 2010 pursuant to Article 1, § 4 of the *New York Dock* conditions.

The arbitration proceeding arose out of a dispute between the Carrier, the American Train Dispatchers Association ("ATDA"), and the Illinois Central Train Dispatchers Association ("ICTDA") (collectively, the "Organizations") over the proposed consolidation and relocation of dispatchers on the GTW, currently located in Troy, Michigan, with dispatchers on the IC, currently located in Homewood, Illinois. The Carrier and the Organizations agreed to submit their dispute to arbitration under Article 1, § 4 of New York Dock and selected Don A. Hampton as the arbitrator, who rendered his award on February 1, 2010 (the "Hampton award"). The Hampton award permits the Carrier to co-locate the GTW dispatchers in Homewood with the IC dispatchers, subject to conditions, but precludes the Carrier from consolidating the work of the dispatchers.

Under § 1115.8 of the Board's rules, the Carrier's petition for review is due to be filed on February 22, 2010.<sup>2</sup> The Carrier's outside counsel is located in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The undersigned hereby certifies that I have served all parties of record in this proceeding with this document by email and by UPS. The undersigned also hereby certifies that both Organizations (ATDA and ICTDA) have consented to this Motion.

which has experienced record-breaking snowfall in the recent days, resulting in office closures on February 10-11, 2010 and major difficulty in commuting. Counsel has been delayed in its preparation efforts by these circumstances, and it has become difficult for counsel to file the petition for review in the brief period provided by the Board's rules. Counsel respectfully submits that a brief 14-day extension is necessary to the preparation of the Carrier's petition for review. Accordingly, the Carrier respectfully requests that the Board grant the request, as it has in other circumstances. See, e.g., Finance Docket No. 29430, Consol. Rail Corp. — Acquisition of Control and Merger — Pittsburgh, Chartiers & Youghiogheny Railway Co., served December 30, 1998 and February 3, 1999 (granting first request for extension so as to allow petitioner additional time to find counsel due to scheduling problems of the holiday season and second request for extension although filed one day late); Finance Docket No. 33388, CSX Corp. and CSC Transp., Inc., Norfolk Southern Corp. and Norfolk Southern Ry. Co. — Control and Operating Leases/Agreements — Conrail Inc. and Consol. Rail Corp., served January 29, 1999 (granting unopposed extension requested due to counsel's scheduling conflicts and family illness).

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 1115.8, the 20-day period for filing an appeal of the Hampton award elapses on February 21, 2010, which is a Sunday. Therefore, under 49 C.F.R. § 1104.7(a), the petition for review is due to be filed on February 22, 2010.